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BY COMMITTEE ON VETERANS

AFFAIRS

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 154)

(COMPANION TO SF 197 BY DAWSON)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act concerning the display of the POW/MIA flag on public
- 2 buildings.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 1B.3, Code 2017, is amended to read as 2 follows:
- 3 1B.3 Flags on public buildings.
- 4 l. It shall be the duty of any board of public officers
- 5 charged with providing supplies for a public building in the
- 6 state to provide a suitable state flag and it shall be the duty
- 7 of the custodian of that public building to raise the flags of
- 8 the United States of America and the state of Iowa, upon each
- 9 secular day when weather conditions are favorable.
- 10 2. The custodian of a public building shall be authorized
- 11 to raise the national league of POW/MIA families' flag on a
- 12 flag pole on the third Saturday in May, Memorial Day, June
- 13 14, Independence Day, Veterans Day, and the day designated by
- 14 proclamation of the president of the United States as national
- 15 POW/MIA recognition day. If the custodian of a public building
- 16 raises the national league of POW/MIA families' flag on a flag
- 17 pole, the prisoner of war/missing in action flag shall be no
- 18 larger than the flag of the United States of America and shall
- 19 be flown second in order of precedence directly underneath, or
- 20 adjacent to, the flag of the United States of America.
- 21 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 24 This bill provides that a custodian of a public building may
- 25 raise the POW/MIA flag on the third Saturday in May, Memorial
- 26 Day, June 14, Independence Day, Veterans Day, and the day
- 27 designated by presidential proclamation as national POW/MIA
- 28 recognition day.
- 29 The bill further provides that if the POW/MIA flag is flown
- 30 on a flag pole of a public building, it shall be no larger than
- 31 and flown, second in order of precedence, directly underneath,
- 32 or adjacent to, the flag of the United States of America.